Oracle® Retail Item Planning

Release Notes

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Oracle Retail Item Planning is part of an overall planning process that involves planning at multiple levels of the product hierarchy. The planning process is an ongoing process whereby the manner in which each step is completed affects the following step, and prior performance influences plans for future performance. Planning takes input from multiple parties, and good communication enhances the process so that it can help drive a financial roadmap for success. Multiple versions of the plan are created to benchmark success as well as provide insight to opportunities and risk for the in-season period.

Overview of the Fashion Planning Bundle

The Fashion Planning Bundle is the integration of Item Planning (IP), Item Planning configured for Clearance Optimization Engine (IP-COE), Assortment Planning (AP), Merchandise Financial Planning (MFP), and Size Profile Optimization (SPO) as a full-suite planning solution for fashion retailers.

Hardware and Software Requirements

See the *Oracle Retail Item Planning Installation Guide* for information about the following:

- Hardware and software requirements
- Oracle Retail application software compatibility information

> **Note:** After the 13.2.2.x release, MKS Toolkit will no longer be supported as a requirement for operating the RPAS Server on all versions of Windows operating systems. Use of Cygwin is in development as a replacement.

Functional Enhancements

IP 13.2.2.4 includes the following functional enhancements.

Additional Measures and Comparisons for Plan Review

Measures and variances have been added to the Plan Review worksheet to facilitate review of item plans to financial plan targets. The following measures have been added to measure profiles to enable easier reconciliation of item plans to financial targets:

- Wp Ttl Sls R
- MFP Op Ttl Sls R
- Wp Ttl Sls Var MFP Op R%
- MFP Op Reg Sls R
- MFP Op Promo Sls R
- MFP Op Clr Sls R
- MFP Cp Ttl Sls R
- Wp Ttl Sls Var MFP Cp R%
- MFP Cp Reg Sls R
- MFP Cp Promo Sls R
- MFP Cp Clr Sls R

Noteworthy Defect Fixes

The following noteworthy defect fixes are included in IP 13.2.2.4.

Fixed Issue/Defect	Defect Number
In the Receipt Flow calculation for IP and IPCOE, using the Initial Receipts % parameter resulted in incorrect receipt quantities. It caused the user-entered initial receipt to be added to the store receipts in addition to the computed receipts per the receipt flow parameters. This has now been rectified so that the initial receipt percentage will supersede the first store receipt; but the rest of the receipt flow will be compensated to that effect and eliminates over allocation to stores.	10169532
The wizard labels are now updated consistent with the correct labels used in IP and IP with COE. These wizard labels are used in the Fusion client and if they are not defined, the Fusion client shows the internal wizard's name.	10359773
When item plans were being re-seeded from any of the available sources, new values were seeded only to the positions that had zero values. For the weeks in which non-zero values existed, the values persisted even on seeding the second time with different values. This resulted in unreliable seeding subsequent to the first seeding. This issue is now fixed so that subsequent seeding overwrites the existing values.	10149143

Fixed Issue/Defect	Defect Number
When item plans are approved, some measures were being incorrectly recalculated or not being committed. The affected measures are Clr U, EOP Inv C, BOP Inv C, Cum Avg Inv C, Cum Avg Inv R, Cum Avg Inv U, and GM. As a result of this, the Cp and Op versions of most of these measures were not the same as the Wp, which the user was trying to approve. This could happen whenever the Item Planner made manual edits to the clearance plan after being seeded from parameters. This is now updated so that the Cp and Op versions are correctly copied from the Wp version being submitted.	10194502
The title of the Enable OP Approval workbook was has now been renamed to Op (in camel case) to be consistent with the convention of Plan versions in the rest of the Planning solutions.	9841095

Known Issue

The following table contains an issue that has been identified for the current release.

Known Issue/Defect	Defect Number
The build domain functionality fails in the IP Windows installer.	NA

Related Documentation

For more information, see the following documents in the Oracle Retail Item Planning documentation set:

- *Oracle Retail Item Planning Installation Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Item Planning Operations Guide*

For more information about the Fashion Planning Bundle applications see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail Item Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Item Planning Configured for COE documentation
- Oracle Retail Clearance Optimization Engine documentation
- Oracle Retail Assortment Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Size Profile Optimization documentation

For more information about the RPAS Fusion Client, see the documents in the Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server documentation set.

For more information about RPAS and the ODI Enabled Integration, see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail ODI Enabled Integration documentation
- Oracle Data Integrator documentation
- Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server documentation

Previous Releases

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